

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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**Dear Supervisors:** 

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
CITIES OF CARSON AND COMPTON AND THE
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF CITY TERRACE,
EAST LOS ANGELES, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, AND WILLOWBROOK
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 4)
(3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action is to ratify changes in work and accept completed public works construction contracts in the Cities of Carson and Compton and the unincorporated communities of City Terrace, East Los Angeles, Rowland Heights, and Willowbrook.

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## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RDC0012192 Santa Fe Avenue under Union Pacific Railroad, to seismically strengthen a bridge, in the City of Carson, performed by The Unicon Group, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$217,207.10.
- Project ID No. RDC0013705 Redondo Beach Boulevard, et al., to reconstruct and resurface roadway; construct curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, and curb ramps; install striping and pavement markings; and modify traffic signals, in the City of Compton and the unincorporated community of Willowbrook, performed by All American Asphalt, with a final contract amount of \$1,177,256.62.
- Project ID No. RDC0015014 East Los Angeles Vine Planting, to construct landscaping, irrigation systems, concrete curb, and plant vines, in the unincorporated communities of City Terrace and East Los Angeles, performed by FS Construction, with changes amounting to a credit of \$2,796.10, and a final contract amount of \$151,868.40.
- Project ID No. TSM0010111 Colima Road, to install fiber optic interconnect for traffic signals and two closed-circuit television cameras, in the unincorporated community of Rowland Heights, performed by Steiny and Company, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$384,407.99.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' (Board) ratification of Director of Public Works-approved changes in a public works contract and your Board's acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the California Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works or her designee has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which the Director of Public Works ordered for Project ID No. RDC0015014.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Acceptance of these contracts completes the work to improve infrastructure and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

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## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The modification to Project ID No. RDC0015014 is a credit of \$2,796.10, while the final values of all the contracts range from \$151,868.40 to \$1,177,256.62, respectively.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the California Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the enclosures.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to a responsible contractor with the lowest responsive bid in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Boardapproved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of these changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

## **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

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# **Enclosures**

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

# PROJECT ID NO. RDC0012192 - SANTA FE AVENUE UNDER UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD (in the City of Carson), Supervisorial District 2

<u>Contractor</u>: The Unicon Group, Inc., 11422 Cumpston Street, North Hollywood, California 91601

# **Project Description:**

Seismic strengthening of an existing bridge.

## **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on May 22, 2009, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

# **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$182,979.10
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by your Board	34,228.00
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>217,207.10</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	19%

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013705 - REDONDO BEACH BOULEVARD, ET AL. (in the City of Compton and the unincorporated community of Willowbrook), Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: All American Asphalt, 400 East Sixth Street, Corona, California 92878-2229

#### Project Description:

Reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement; construction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, and curb ramps; installation of striping and pavement markings; modification of traffic signals; and the performance of other appurtenant work.

## **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on April 30, 2009, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

# Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,099,142.28
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by your Board	<u> 78,114.34</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>1,177,256.62</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	7.1 %

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<u>PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015014 - EAST LOS ANGELES VINE PLANTING</u> (in the unincorporated communities of City Terrace and East Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: FS Construction, 13368 Aldergrove Street, Sylmar, California 91342

#### **Project Description:**

Construction of landscaping, irrigation systems, and concrete curb; the planting of vines and the performance of other appurtenant work.

# **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on June 10, 2009. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The actual quantities of bid items were less than originally estimated, resulting in a credit of \$2,796.10.

During construction, the contractor requested one hour of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$52.50.

#### **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$154,717.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(2,796.10)
Deduction for overtime inspection	( 52.50)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>151,868.40</u>
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Percent total change to original contract amount	-1.8%

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<u>PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010111 - COLIMA ROAD</u> (in the unincorporated community of Rowland Heights), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park, California 91706

# **Project Description:**

Installation of fiber optic interconnect for traffic signals and two closed-circuit television cameras and other appurtenant work.

## **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on April 24, 2009. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

## Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount Changes in work previously ratified by your Board	\$381,461.00
	2,946.99
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>384,407.99</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	0.8%

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